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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 20, 2002, applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time of THREE months from September 20, 2002, up to and including December 20, 2002, to file the attached RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT in response to the Office Action in this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite extension fee of \$460.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) to Deposit Acct. No. 50-1133. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Acct. No. 50-1133. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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